GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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ADULTERATION IN PETROL/ DIESEL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of samples of petrol and diesel taken in Orissa during the last two years to check adulteration in them;

(b) if so, the number of samples found adulterated out of them;

(c) the action taken by the Government against the agents; and

(d) the manner in which the action was taken along with the number of agents whose licenses were seized?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (d): Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) take action against the dealers found indulging in adulteration under the provisions of the Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG)/Dealership Agreement. In addition to the action taken by the OMCs, the State Governments are also empowered to take legal action against the defaulting dealers under the provisions of the control orders issued by the Government under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955. Under MDG, 2005 dealership is terminated in the first instance on adulteration being established. The details of samples drawn and action taken is being collected from OMCs and will be laid on the table of the House.